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SUBJ: CIVAIR: PIA REQUEST FOR AMSTERDAM- NEW YORK ROUTE

REF: STATE 120873

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIPLOMATIC NOTE, DATED JUNE 20 AND RECEIVED BY EMBASSY ON JUNE 21, REQUESTS EMBASSY TO OBTAIN USG PERMISSION FOR PIA TO OPERATE VIA AMSTERDAM. CONTENTS JUNE 20 NOTE FOLLOWS IN PARA 2. THIS NOTE REFERS NOTE DATED JUNE 16, WHICH REPEATED PARA 3 FOR DEPTS. INFORMATIONS.

2. JUNE 20, 1973. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.... WITH REFERENCE TO THIS MINISTRY'S NOTE OF EVEN NUMBER DATED JUNE 16, HAS THE HONOR TO STATE THAT PENDING REWORDING OF THE ROUTE OF THE DESIGNATED AIRLINE OF PAKISTAN AS SPECIFIED IN THE ANNEX TO THE AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND THE UNITED STATES, THE PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES CORPORATION, THE DESIGNATED AIRLINE OF PAKISTAN, INTENDS TO OPERATE ONE WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN KARACHI AND NEW YORK VIA AMSTERDAM WITH EFFECT FROM 1 ST JULY 1973. THE MINISTRY WOULD APPRECIATE IF THE EMBASSY WOULD KINDLY
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OBTAIN THE PERMISSION OF THE USG FOR PIA'S OPERATION VIA
AMSTERDAM AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE.

3. JUNE 16, 1973. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

.... STATE' S) THAT THE EXISTING AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT BE-TWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND PAKISTAN SPECIFIES THE ROUTE ALLOTED TO THE DESIGNATED AIRLINE OF THE UNITED STATES BY " REGIONS" VIA UNSPECIFIED INTERMEDIATE POINTS, AND THAT OF THE DESIGNATED AIRLINE OF PAKISTAN BY " POINTS." THE GOP IS OF THE VIEW THAT THE ROUTE SPECIFIED FOR THE DESIGNATED AIRLINE OF PAKISTAN REQUIRES REWORDING IN ORDER TO BRING IT IN LINE WITH THE ROUTE SPECIFIED FOR THE DE-SIGNATED AIRLINE OF THE UNITED STATES. THE GOP, THEREFORE, PROPOSE THAT THE ROUTE PRESCRIBED FOR THE DESIGNATED AIR-LINE OF PAKISTAN BE REWORDED AS UNDER: " FROM PAKISTAN-THROUGHT THE MIDDLE EAST INCLUDING THE PERSIAN GULF, NORTH AFRICA, EUROPE AND CANADA TO NEW YORK." UPON RECEIPT OF A REPLY FROM THE EMBASSY INDICATING THE AGREEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ABOVE PROPOSAL, THE GOP WILL CONSIDER THAT THIS NOTE AND THE EMBASSY' S AGREEMENT THERETO CONSTITUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE ANNEX TO THE EXISTING AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND PAKISTAN.

4. ECON COUNSELOR DISCUSSED MATTER WITH DIRECTOR FOR AMERICAN AFFAIRS (NAIM), MFA, EXPLAINING POINTS IN PARAS 3 AND 4 REFTEL. AT LATTER'S REQUEST THESE POINTS BEING CONFIRMED IN NOTE TO MFA.

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